

### REMARKS

In the Office communication mailed November 5, 2007, the Examiner requested a response to paragraph 4 of the Office Action mailed January 11, 2007. Paragraph 4 of the specified Office Action required that Applicants update the status of all U.S. applications disclosed in the instant invention. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the specification to include the status of the disclosed U.S. applications and remove any attorney docket numbers corresponding to the disclosed applications. As U.S. Application No. 09/561,571 entitled EPITOPE CLUSTERS, filed April 28, 2000 and disclosed in Paragraphs [110], [0209] and [0406] of the specification, is currently pending, Applicants have made no changes to the specification with respect to this application. No new matter is added by any of these amendments.

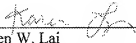
### Conclusion

In view of the remarks presented above, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same. If any issues remain, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Applicants' counsel at the number provided below in order to resolve such issues promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

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